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# FACT SHEET

# KENTUCKY POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER INTO WATERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH

KPDES No.: KY0025810 Permit Writer: Dan Juett Date: March 12, 2009

**AI No.:** 3063

# 1. SYNOPSIS OF APPLICATION

a. Name and Address of Applicant

Paducah McCracken Joint Sewer Agency 621 Northview Street Paducah, Kentucky 42001

b. Facility Location

Reidland Wastewater Treatment Plant 210 Reddy's Run Paducah, McCracken County, Kentucky

c. Description of Applicant's Operation

City

d. Design Capacity

1.0 MGD

e. Description of Existing Pollution Abatement Facilities

Treatment process consists of grinding, grit removal, oxidation ditch, clarifiers, and ultraviolet irradiation disinfection. Sludge Solids are processed by aerobic digestion, drying beds, and hauled to an approved landfill for disposal.

f. Permitting Action

This is a reissuance of a major KPDES permit for a municipally/regional planning authority owned wastewater treatment plant serving a municipality.



# 2. **RECEIVING WATER**

a. Name/Mile Point

Facility discharges to Tennessee River at mile point 6.6.

b. Stream Segment Use Classification

Pursuant to 401 KAR 10:026, Section 5, Tennessee River carries the following classifications: warm water aquatic habitat, primary contact recreation, secondary contact recreation, and domestic water supply.

c. Stream Segment Categorization

Pursuant to  $401~\mathrm{KAR}~10:030$ , Section 1 Tennessee River is categorized as a "High Quality Waters".

d. Stream Low Flow Condition

The 7-day, 10-year low flow and harmonic mean conditions of Tennessee River are 5,000 and 40,300 cfs, respectively.



# 3. REPORTED DISCHARGE AND PROPOSED LIMITS

Serial Number 001 - Sanitary Wastewater (Design Flow = 1.0 MGD)

Effluent Characteristics	Reported Dis Monthly Average	scharge Daily Maximum	Proposed Limits Monthly Daily Average Maximum		Applicable Water Quality Criteria and/or Effluent Guidelines	
Effluent Flow (MGD) Influent Flow (MGD)	0.491 NR	1.138 NR	Report Report	Report Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8) 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8)	
Effluent $BOD_5$ (mg/l)	3.17	8.4	30	45	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 401 KAR 5:045, Sections 3 and 5	
Influent $BOD_5$ (mg/l) Percent Removal $BOD_5$ (%)	186 98.1	267 99.2	Report 85 or grea	Report ter	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8) 40 CFR 133.102(a)(3)	
Effluent TSS (mg/l)	3.81	7.8	30	45	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 401 KAR 5:045, Sections 2 and 3	
<pre>Influent TSS (mg/l) Percent Removal TSS (%)</pre>	191 97.3	1243 99.1	Report 85 or grea	Report ter	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 40 CFR 133.102(b)(3)	
Fecal Coliform (N/100 ml)	17	39	Removing f	rom permit	401 KAR 5:080, Section 1(2)(c)2	
Escherichia Coli (N/100 ml)	NR	NR	130	240	401 KAR 10:031, Section 7 401 KAR 5:045, Section 4 401 KAR 5:080, Section 1(2)(c)2	
Ammonia Nitrogen (as mg/l N)	0.6	1.2	20.0	30.0	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 401 KAR 5:045, Sections 3 and 5	
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) (minimum)	6.3	8.8	Not less t	han 2.0	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 401 KAR 5:045, Sections 3 and 5	
pH (standard units)	6.9	7.5	6.0 (min)	9.0 (max)	401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 401 KAR 5:045, Section 4	

#### 3. REPORTED DISCHARGE AND PROPOSED LIMITS - SANITARY FACILTY

Serial Number 001 - Sanitary Wastewater (Design Flow = 1.0 MGD)

Effluent Characteristics	Reported Dis Monthly Average	scharge Daily Maximum	Proposed : Monthly Average	Limits Daily Maximum	Applicable Water Quality Criteria and/or Effluent Guidelines
Total Phosphorus (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8)
Total Nitrogen (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8)
Acute Toxicity (TU <sub>A</sub> )	N/A	<1.00	N/A	1.00	401 KAR 10:029, Section 4 401 KAR 10:031, Sections 2 and 4

The data contained under the reported discharge columns is not from the renewal application, but rather from the analysis of the DMR data that has been reported during the term of the previous permit.

The abbreviation BOD<sub>5</sub> means Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day).

The abbreviation TSS means Total Suspended Solids.

The abbreviation N/A means not applicable.

The abbreviation NR means not reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR).

The effluent limitations for  $BOD_5$  and TSS are Monthly (30 day) and Weekly (7 day) Averages.

The effluent limitations for Escherichia Coli are thirty (30) day and seven (7) day Geometric Means.

Total Nitrogen is to be reported as the summation of the analytical results for Total Nitrates, Total Nitrites, and Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen.

#### 4. METHODOLOGY USED IN DETERMINING LIMITATIONS

a. Serial Number

Outfall 001 Sanitary Wastewater (Design Flow = 1.0 MGD)

b. Effluent Characteristics

Flow (Influent/Effluent), BOD<sub>5</sub> (Influent/Effluent), TSS (Influent/Effluent), Fecal Coliform Bacteria, *Escherichia Coli*, pH, Ammonia Nitrogen, Dissolved Oxygen, Total Phosphorus, Total Nitrogen, and Acute Toxicity.

c. Pertinent Factors

Wastewater treatment plant is a public owned treatment works (POTW) facility. The POTW treats sanitary wastewater from residential and commercial (non-industry) users. This WWTP is recognized as a regional facility.

Total Residual Chlorine monitoring and limitations do not apply. The disinfection method is ultra-violet irradiation.

d. Monitoring Requirements

Influent sampling shall be conducted at the nearest accessible point in the collection system but prior to commencement of treatment.

Effluent sampling shall be conducted at the nearest point after final treatment but prior to discharge to or mixing with the receiving waters.

Effluent Flow monitoring shall be conducted continuously by recorder.

Influent Flow monitoring shall be conducted instantaneously once per week.

 ${\tt BOD_5}$  (Influent/Effluent) and TSS (Influent/Effluent) monitoring shall be conducted once per week by 24 hour composite sampling.

Percent Removal shall be determined monthly by calculation.

Ammonia Nitrogen, Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen shall be monitored once per week by 24 hour composite sampling.

Escherichia Coli, pH, and Dissolved Oxygen shall be monitored once per week by grab sample.

Acute Toxicity shall be monitored quarterly by two (2) grab samples collected a minimum of eight (8) hours apart.

e. Justification of Conditions

The Kentucky regulations cited below have been duly promulgated pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 224 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Escherichia Coli and Fecal Coliform Bacteria

The limits for Escherichia Coli are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:031, Section 7, 401 KAR 5:045 Section 4 and 401 KAR 5:080, Section 1(2)(c) 2. The removal of Fecal Coliform Bacteria is consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:080k Section 1 (2) (c)2. Although Fecal Coliform Bacteria has been used as an indicator of fecal contamination, it does contain other species that are not necessarily fecal in origin. EPA recommends Escherichia Coli, which is specific to fecal material from warm-blooded animals, as the best indicator of health risk from contact with recreational waters. Therefore, it is the "Best Professional Judgment "BPJ" of the Division of Water that Escherichia Coli replace Fecal Coliform Bacteria on this permit.

# Flow (Influent/Effluent)

The monitoring requirements for this parameter are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8).

# Influent BOD<sub>5</sub>, Influent TSS, and Percent Removal

The monitoring requirements for influent  $BOD_5$  and influent TSS are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8). The raw influent values of these two parameters are necessary to determine compliance with the 85 percent removal requirement specified by 40 CFR 133.102 (a)(3) and (b)(3).

#### Ammonia Nitrogen, and Dissolved Oxygen

The limits for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:031, Section  $\overline{4}$ , and 401 KAR 5:045, Sections 3 and 5. Section 4 of 10:031 establishes water quality criteria for the protection of Kentucky's waters. Section 5 of 5:045 requires biochemically degradable wastewaters to receive treatment in excess of secondary treatment if the Cabinet determines that the receiving water would not satisfy applicable water quality standards as a result of a facility discharge or discharges from multiple facilities

 $\underline{\text{BOD}}_5$  and Total Suspended Solids The limits for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:031, Section  $\bar{4}$  and 5:045, Sections 2 and 3. Section 4 of 10:031 establishes water quality criteria for the protection of Kentucky's waters. Sections 2 and 3 of 5:045 require biochemically degradable wastewaters to receive secondary treatment.

The limits for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:031, Section 4 and 5:045, Section 4. Section 4 of 10:031establishes water quality criteria for the protection of Kentucky's waters. Section 4 of 5:045 establishes the acceptable levels of these parameters for biochemically degradable wastewaters.

# Total Phosphorus and Total Nitrogen

The monitoring requirements for these parameters are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8)(a). Total Nitrogen is TKN (as N) and nitrate/nitrite (as N).

#### Acute Toxicity

The requirements for this parameter are consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 10:029, Section 4 and 401 KAR 10:031, Sections 2 and 4.

#### 5. ANTIDEGRADATION

The conditions of 401 KAR 10:029, Section 1 have been satisfied by this permit action. Since this permit action involves reissuance of an existing permit, and does not propose an expanded discharge, a review under 401 KAR 10:030 Section 1 is not applicable.

#### 6. PROPOSED COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE FOR ATTAINING EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

The permittee will comply with all effluent limitations by the effective date of the permit.

#### 7. PROPOSED SPECIAL CONDITIONS WHICH WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE DISCHARGE

# SLUDGE DISPOSAL

The disposal or final use of sewage sludge generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works is subject to federal requirements specified in 40 CFR Part 503 and state requirements specified in Division of Waste Management regulations 401 KAR Chapter 45.

#### 7. PROPOSED SPECIAL CONDITIONS WHICH WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE DISCHARGE

#### GENERAL PRETREATMENT REQUIREMENTS

All Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs) are subject to the requirements of 401 KAR 5:057.

**Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs)** means any device or system used in the treatment (including recycling and reclamation) of municipal sewage or industrial wastes of a liquid nature which is owned by a State or municipality. This definition includes any sewers, pipes, or other conveyances only if they convey wastewater to a POTW providing treatment.

Municipality means a city, village, town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body created by or under State law and having jurisdiction over disposal of sewage, industrial waste, other wastes, or Indian tribe or authorized Indian tribal organization, or a designated and approved management agency under Section 208 of CWA.

# Prohibited Discharges

Pursuant to 401 KAR 5:057, Section 3(2) the permittee is to prevent discharges by any user to the POTW which would cause pass-through or interference. Specific prohibitions include: (1) flammable or explosive pollutants; (2) corrosive pollutants; (3) amounts of solid or viscous pollutants which could cause an obstruction; (4) pollutants including oxygen demanding pollutants discharged at a flow rate or concentration which would interfere with the POTW; (5) heat in amounts which would inhibit biological activity, but no heat in quantities such that the temperature at the POTW treatment plant exceeds 104 °F (40 °C); (6) amounts of petroleum oil, non-biodegradable cutting oil or products of mineral oil origin that would cause pass through or interference; (7) pollutants which cause toxic gases, vapors, or fumes; and (8) trucked or hauled pollutants except at discharge points designated by the POTW.

# Necessity to Develop and Implement a Pretreatment Program

Pursuant to Section 6(1) POTWs which meet one or more of the following criteria are required to develop, submit for approval, and implement specific Pretreatment Program Requirements.

- 1. A POTW or combination of POTWs operated by the same authority, with a total design flow greater than five (5) million gallons per day (MGD) and receiving from industrial users which pass through interfere with the operation of the POTW, or are otherwise subject to pretreatment standards.
- 2. A POTW with a design flow of five (5) MGD or less shall develop a pretreatment program if the cabinet determines that the nature or volume of the industrial wastewater, treatment process upsets, violation of the POTW effluent limitations, contamination of municipal sludge or other circumstances warrant to prevent interference with the POTW or pass through.

Consistent with the requirements of 401 KAR 5:057, Section 6(1) and 401 KAR 5:080, Section 1(2)(c)2 the permittee shall conduct annual sewer user surveys to determine if conditions warrant the development and implementation of a pretreatment program. This condition is representative of the Division of Water's "Best Professional Judgment" that such surveys are necessary to demonstrate compliance with 401 KAR 5:057, Section 6(1).

#### 7. PROPOSED SPECIAL CONDITIONS WHICH WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE DISCHARGE

#### Best Management Practices (BMP) Plan

Pursuant to 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(10), a BMP requirement shall be included: to control or abate the discharge of pollutants from ancillary areas containing toxic or hazardous substances or those substances which could result in an environmental emergency; where numeric effluent limitations are infeasible; or to carry out the purposes and intent of KRS 224. The facility has several areas where support activities occur which have a potential of the discharge of such substances through storm water runoff or spillage. Some of these areas will drain to present wastewater treatment plants, others will not.

# Certified Operators

Pursuant to 401 KAR 5:010, Section 2(1) wastewater systems shall be operated under the supervision of a certified operator who holds a Kentucky Certificate equivalent to the class of system being supervised. All other operators employed by the system shall hold a Kentucky Certificate or shall be in the process of obtaining a Kentucky Certificate.

Pursuant to  $401\ \text{KAR}\ 5:010$ , Section 8 wastewater systems shall be classified as follows:

- Class I: Systems with a design capacity of less than or equal to 50,000 gpd
- Class II: Systems with a design capacity of more than 50,000 gpd but less than or equal to 2.0 MGD
- $\bullet$  Class III: Systems with a design capacity of more than 2.0 MGD but less than or equal to 7.5 MGD
- Class IV: Systems with a design capacity of more than 7.5 MGD

Section 2(2) of 401 KAR 5:010 require the certified operator to be reasonably available if not physically present while the system is operating.

Section 2(3) of 401 KAR 5:010 require the Kentucky Certificate shall be displayed on the wall of wastewater system office.

# Monthly Operating Reports (MOR)

Pursuant 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(8)3 the permit shall incorporate monitoring requirements as appropriate to assure compliance with the permit limitations. In addition to the monitoring of effluent as specified by the permit the permittee shall conduct process control monitoring on a daily basis and record the data on a Monthly Operating Report (MOR) which shall be submitted with the Discharge Monitoring Reports. Process control monitoring is that monitoring performed by the operators of the wastewater treatment plant to determine if the wastewater system is operating at its optimum efficiency. This monitoring includes but is not limited to influent and effluent quality and quantity monitoring, chemical usage, sludge monitoring including volume produced, wasted, and disposed, and monitoring of internal units such as aeration basins and oxidation ditches.

#### Outfall Signage

It is the Best Professional Judgment of the Division of Water, 401 KAR 5:080, Section 1(2)(c)2, that all permittees post a marker at all discharge locations and/or monitoring points. The ORSANCO requirements for the marker specify it to be at least 2 feet by 2 feet in size and a minimum of 3 feet above ground level with the Permittee Name and KPDES permit and outfall numbers in 2 inch letters. For internal monitoring points the marker shall be of sufficient size to include the outfall number in 2 inch letters and is to be posted as near as possible to the actual sampling location.

#### 8. **PERMIT DURATION**

Five (5) years. This facility is in the Four Rivers, Upper & Lower Cumberland Basin Management Unit as per the Kentucky Watershed Management Framework.

#### 9. **PERMIT INFORMATION**

The application, draft permit, fact sheet, public notice, comments received, and additional information is available from the Division of Water at 200 Fair Oaks Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

#### 10. REFERENCES AND CITED DOCUMENTS

All material and documents referenced or cited in this fact sheet are a part of the permit information as described above and are readily available at the Division of Water Central Office. Information regarding these materials may be obtained from the person listed below.

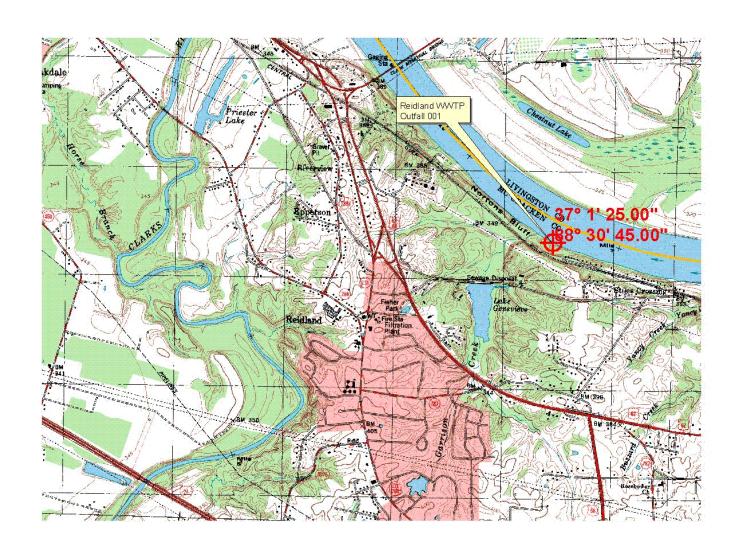
#### 11. CONTACT

For further information on the draft permit or comment process, contact the individual identified on the Public Notice or the Permit Writer - Dan Juett at (502) 564-8158, extension 4894, or email Dan.Juett@ky.gov.

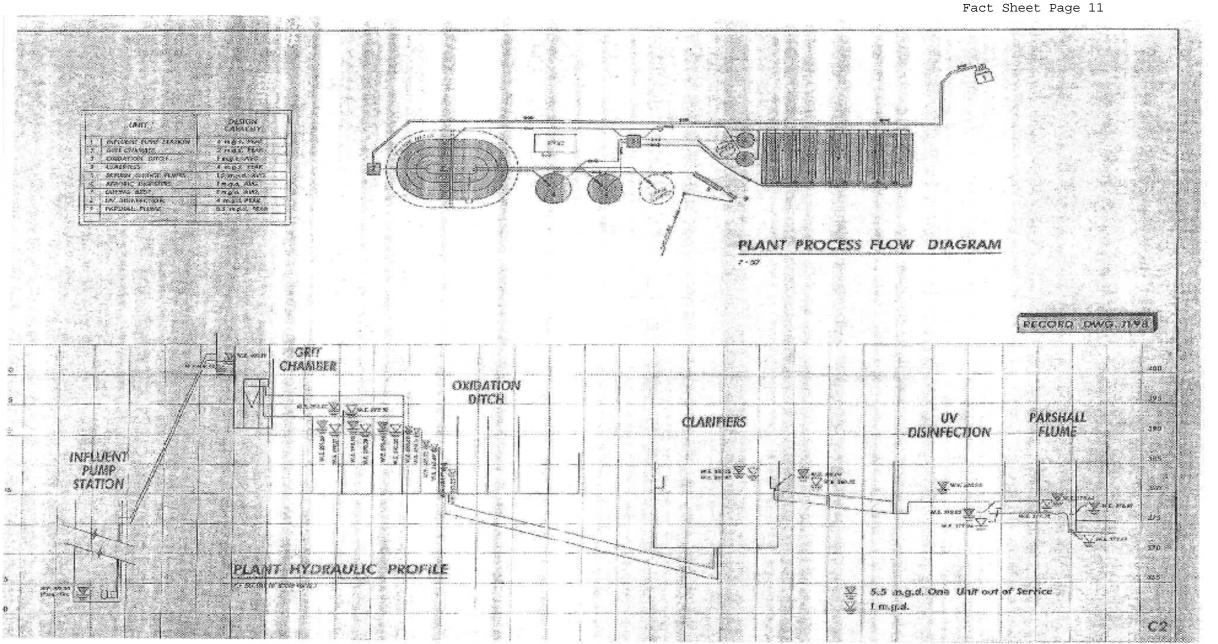
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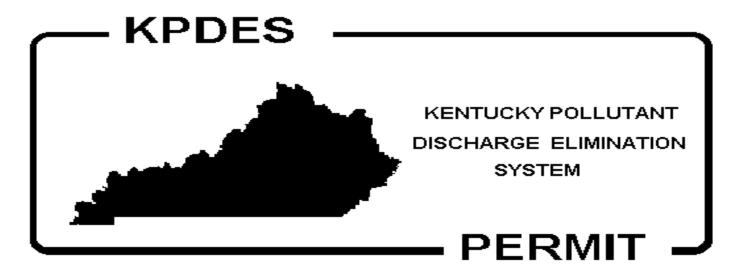
Please refer to the attached Public Notice for details regarding the procedures for a final decision, deadline for comments and other information required by 401 KAR 5:075, Section 4(2)(e).

# Paducah McCracken Joint Sewer Agency Reidland Wastewater Plant









**PERMIT NO.:** KY0025810 **AI NO.:** 3063

# AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE KENTUCKY POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

Pursuant to Authority in KRS 224,

Paducah McCracken Joint Sewer Agency 621 Northview Street Paducah, Kentucky 42001

is authorized to discharge from a facility located at

Reidland Wastewater Treatment Plant 210 Reddy's Run Paducah, McCracken County, Kentucky

to receiving waters named

Tennessee River at mile point 6.6

in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth in Parts I, II, III, IV, V, and VI hereof. The permit consists of this cover sheet, and Part I  $\underline{2}$  pages, Part II  $\underline{1}$  page, Part III  $\underline{1}$  page, Part IV  $\underline{1}$  page, Part V  $\underline{3}$  pages, and Part VI  $\underline{3}$  pages.

This permit shall become effective on

This permit and the authorization to discharge shall expire at midnight,

Date Signed	_	Sandra L. Gruzesky, Director
	VIA.	Division of Water

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#### A1. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

During the period beginning on the effective date of this permit and lasting through the term of this permit, the permittee is authorized to discharge from Outfall serial number: 001 - Sanitary Wastewater (Design Flow = 1.0 MGD)

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS		DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS			MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
	(lbs/	(lbs/day) Other Units (Specify)				
	Monthly	Daily	Monthly	Daily	Measurement	Sample
	Avg.	Max.	Avg.	Max.	Frequency	Type
Effluent Flow (MGD)	Report	Report	N/A	N/A	Continuous	Recorder
Influent Flow (MGD)	Report	Report	N/A	N/A	1/Week	Instantaneous
Effluent BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/l)	250	375	30	45	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Influent $BOD_5$ (mg/l)	Report	Report	Report	Report	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Percent Removal BOD <sub>5</sub> (%)	N/A	N/A	85 or greater		1/Month	Calculated
Effluent TSS (mg/l)	250	375	30	45	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Influent TSS (mg/l)	Report	Report	Report	Report	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Percent Removal TSS (%)	N/A	N/A	85 or greater		1/Month	Calculated
Ammonia Nitrogen (as mg/l N)	167	250	20.0	30.0	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Escherichia Coli (N/100 ml)	N/A	N/A	130	240	1/Week	Grab
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l) (minimum)	N/A	N/A	Not less than	2.0	1/Week	Grab
pH (standard units)	N/A	N/A	6.0 (min)	9.0 (max)	1/Week	Grab
Total Phosphorus (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Total Nitrogen (mg/l)	N/A	N/A	Report	Report	1/Week	24 Hr Composite
Acute Toxicity (TU <sub>A</sub> )	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.00	1/Quarter	2 Grab

The abbreviation BOD<sub>5</sub> means Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5-day).

The abbreviation TSS means Total Suspended Solids.

The abbreviation N/A means Not Applicable.

The effluent limitations for  $BOD_5$  and TSS are Monthly (30 day) and Weekly (7 day) Averages.

The effluent limitations for Escherichia Coli are thirty (30) day and seven (7) day Geometric Means.

Total Nitrogen is to be reported as the summation of the analytical results for Total Nitrates, Total Nitrites, and Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen.

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam or sheen in other than trace amounts.

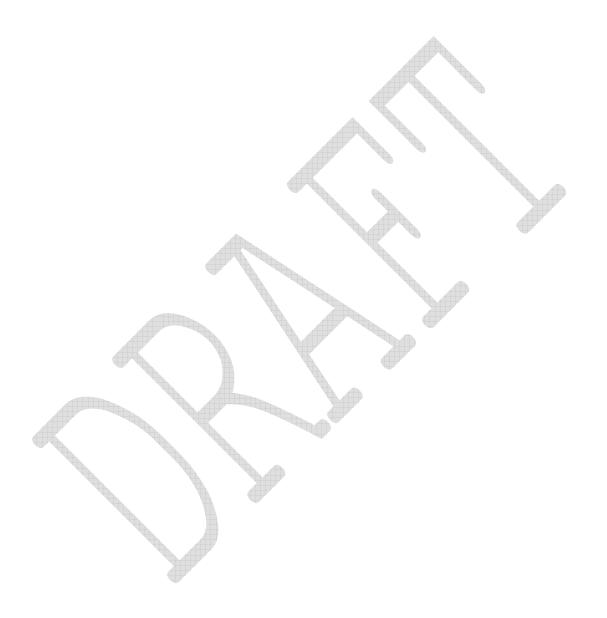
Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above shall be taken at the following location: nearest accessible point prior to discharge to or mixing with the receiving waters or wastestreams from other outfalls.

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# B. SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE

The permittee shall achieve compliance with all requirements on the effective date of this permit.



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# STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR KPDES PERMIT

This permit has been issued under the provisions of KRS Chapter 224 and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto. Issuance of this permit does not relieve the permittee from the responsibility of obtaining any other permits or licenses required by this Cabinet and other state, federal, and local agencies.

It is the responsibility of the permittee to demonstrate compliance with permit parameter limitations by utilization of sufficiently sensitive analytical methods.

The permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance shall constitute a violation of KRS Chapter 224, among which shall be the following remedies: enforcement action, permit revocation, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.



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# PART III

# OTHER REQUIREMENTS

# A. Reporting of Monitoring Results

Monitoring results obtained during each monitoring period must be reported on a preprinted Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) Form that will be mailed to you. The completed DMR for each monitoring period must be sent to the Division of Water at the address listed below (with a copy to the appropriate Regional Office) postmarked no later than the 28th day of the month following the monitoring period for which monitoring results were obtained.

Division of Water
Paducah Regional Office
130 Eagle Nest Drive
Paducah, Kentucky 42003
ATTN: Supervisor

Division of Water Surface Water Permits Branch Permit Support Section 200 Fair Oaks Lane Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

# B. Reopener Clause

This permit shall be modified, or alternatively revoked and reissued, to comply with any applicable effluent standard or limitation issued or approved under 401 KAR 5:050 through 5:086, if the effluent standard or limitation so issued or approved:

- 1. Contains different conditions or is otherwise more stringent than any effluent limitation in the permit; or
- Controls any pollutant not limited in the permit.

The permit as modified or reissued under this paragraph shall also contain any other requirements of KRS Chapter 224 when applicable.

#### C. Sludge Disposal

The disposal or final use of sewage sludge generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works shall be disposed of in accordance with federal requirements specified in 40 CFR Part 503 and state requirements specified in Division of Waste Management regulations 401 KAR Chapter 45.

# D. Certified Operators

This wastewater system shall be operated under the supervision of a Class II Kentucky Certified Operator who shall be reasonably available at all times. All other operators employed by the system shall hold a Kentucky Certificate or shall be in the process of obtaining a Kentucky Certificate. The certificates of each operator shall be prominently displayed on the wall of the system office.

#### E. Monthly Operating Reports

In addition to the monitoring of effluent as specified by the permit the permittee shall conduct process control monitoring on a daily basis and record the data on a Monthly Operating Report (MOR) which shall be submitted with the Discharge Monitoring Reports. Process control monitoring is that monitoring performed by the operators of the wastewater treatment plant to determine if the wastewater system is operating at its optimum efficiency. This monitoring includes but is not limited to influent and effluent quality and quantity monitoring, chemical usage, sludge monitoring including volume produced, wasted, and disposed, and monitoring of internal units such as aeration basins and oxidation ditches.

# F. Outfall Signage

The permittee shall post a permanent marker at all discharge locations and/or monitoring points. The marker shall be of sufficient size to display the Permittee Name, KPDES permit and outfall numbers in 2 inch letters and shall be prominently displayed. For internal monitoring points the marker shall be of sufficient size to include the outfall number in 2 inch letters and shall be posted as near as possible to the actual sampling location.

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#### PART IV - PRETREATMENT REQUIREMENTS

#### A. Annual Sewer User Surveys

The permittee shall conduct annual sewer user surveys to determine if conditions warrant the development and implementation of a pretreatment program. An annual report listing the industrial users, the manufacturing processes, the nature and volume of flow and any problems caused by the users shall be submitted no later than December 31 of each year, unless otherwise specified by the Division of Water.

# B. Necessity to Develop and Implement a Pretreatment Program

POTWs which meet one or more of the following criteria are required to develop, submit for approval, and implement specific Pretreatment Program Requirements.

A POTW or combination of POTWs operated by the same authority, with a total design flow greater than five (5) million gallons per day (MGD) and receiving from industrial users which pass through or interfere with the operation of the POTW, or are otherwise subject to pretreatment standards.

A POTW with a design flow of five (5) MGD or less shall develop a pretreatment program if the cabinet determines that the nature or volume of the industrial wastewaters, upsets of the treatment process, violations of the POTW effluent limitations, contamination of municipal sludge or other circumstances warrant to prevent interference with the POTW or pass through.

#### C. Prohibited Discharges

The following are prohibit from being discharged to the POTW.

- Pollutants which create a fire or explosion hazard in the POTW;
- Pollutants which will cause corrosive structural damage to the POTW, but in no case, discharges with a pH lower than 5.0;
- ❖ Solid or viscous pollutants in amounts which will cause obstruction to the flow in sewers, or other interference with operation of the POTW;
- ❖ Any pollutant, including oxygen demanding pollutants (BOD5, etc.), released in a discharge at such a volume or strength as to cause interference in the POTW;
- ❖ Heat in amounts, which will inhibit biological activity in the POTW, but in no case, heat in such quantities that the influent to the sewage treatment works exceeds 104o F (40o C);
- Petroleum oil, non-biodegradable cutting oil, or products of mineral oil origin in amounts that will cause interference or pass-through;
- Pollutants which result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes within the POTW in a quantity that may cause acute worker health and safety problems; and,
- ❖ Any trucked or hauled waste except, at discharge points designated by the POTW.

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#### PART V

#### BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

#### SECTION A. GENERAL CONDITIONS

# 1. Applicability

These conditions apply to all permittees who use, manufacture, store, handle, or discharge any pollutant listed as: (1) toxic under Section 307(a)(1) of the Clean Water Act; (2) oil, as defined in Section 311(a)(1) of the Act; (3) any pollutant listed as hazardous under Section 311 of the Act; or (4) is defined as a pollutant pursuant to KRS 224.01-010(35) and who have ancillary manufacturing operations which could result in (1) the release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant, or (2) an environmental emergency, as defined in KRS 224.01-400, as amended, or any regulation promulgated pursuant thereto (hereinafter, the "BMP pollutants"). These operations include material storage areas; plant site runoff; in-plant transfer, process and material handling areas; loading and unloading operations, and sludge and waste disposal areas.

#### 2. BMP Plan

The permittee shall develop and implement a Best Management Practices (BMP) plan consistent with 401 KAR 5:065, Section 2(10) pursuant to KRS 224.70-110, which prevents or minimizes the potential for the release of "BMP pollutants" from ancillary activities through plant site runoff; spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal; or drainage from raw material storage. A Best Management Practices (BMP) plan will be prepared by the permittee unless the permittee can demonstrate through the submission of a BMP outline that the elements and intent of the BMP have been fulfilled through the use of existing plans such as the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plans, contingency plans, and other applicable documents.

# 3. Implementation

If this is the first time for the BMP requirement, then the plan shall be developed and submitted to the Division of Water within 90 days of the effective date of the permit. Implementation shall be within 180 days of that submission. For permit renewals the plan in effect at the time of permit reissuance shall remain in effect. Modifications to the plan as a result of ineffectiveness or plan changes to the facility shall be submitted to the Division of Water and implemented as soon as possible.

# 4. General Requirements

The BMP plan shall:

- a. Be documented in narrative form, and shall include any necessary plot plans, drawings, or maps.
- b. Establish specific objectives for the control of toxic and hazardous pollutants.
  - (1) Each facility component or system shall be examined for its potential for causing a release of "BMP pollutants" due to equipment failure, improper operation, natural phenomena such as rain or snowfall, etc.

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- (2) Where experience indicates a reasonable potential for equipment failure (e.g., a tank overflow or leakage), natural condition (e.g., precipitation), or other circumstances which could result in a release of "BMP pollutants," the plan should include a prediction of the direction, rate of flow, and total quantity of the pollutants which could be released from the facility as result of each condition or circumstance.
- c. Establish specific Best Management Practices to meet the objectives identified under paragraph b of this section, addressing each component or system capable of causing a release of "BMP pollutants."
- d. Include any special conditions established in part b of this section.
- e. Be reviewed by plant engineering staff and the plant manager.

# 5. Specific Requirements

The plan shall be consistent with the general guidance contained in the publication entitled "NPDES Best Management Practices Guidance Document," and shall include the following baseline BMPs as a minimum.

- a. BMP Committee
- b. Reporting of BMP Incidents
- c. Risk Identification and Assessment
- d. Employee Training
- e. Inspections and Records
- f. Preventive Maintenance
- g. Good Housekeeping
- h. Materials Compatibility
- i. Security
- j. Materials Inventory

# 6. SPCC Plans

The BMP plan may reflect requirements for Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) plans under Section 311 of the Act and 40 CFR Part 151, and may incorporate any part of such plans into the BMP plan by reference.

# 7. Hazardous Waste Management

The permittee shall assure the proper management of solid and hazardous waste in accordance with the regulations promulgated under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1978 (RCRA) (40 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.). Management practices required under RCRA regulations shall be referenced in the BMP plan.

#### 8. Documentation

The permittee shall maintain a description of the BMP plan at the facility and shall make the plan available upon request to NREPC personnel. Initial copies and modifications thereof shall be sent to the following addresses when required by Section 3:

Division of Water
Paducah Regional Office
130 Eagle Nest Drive
Paducah, Kentucky 42003
ATTN: Supervisor

Division of Water Surface Water Permits Branch Permit Support Section 200 Fair Oaks Lane Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

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# 9. BMP Plan Modification

The permittee shall amend the BMP plan whenever there is a change in the facility or change in the operation of the facility which materially increases the potential for the ancillary activities to result in the release of "BMP pollutants."

# 10. Modification for Ineffectiveness

If the BMP plan proves to be ineffective in achieving the general objective of preventing the release of "BMP pollutants," then the specific objectives and requirements under paragraphs b and c of Section 4, the permit, and/or the BMP plan shall be subject to modification to incorporate revised BMP requirements. If at any time following the issuance of this permit the BMP plan is found to be inadequate pursuant to a state or federal site inspection or plan review, the plan shall be modified to incorporate such changes necessary to resolve the concerns.

# SECTION B. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

Periodically Discharged Wastewaters Not Specifically Covered By Effluent Conditions

The permittee shall include in this BMP plan procedures and controls necessary for the handling of periodically discharged wastewaters such as intake screen backwash, meter calibration, fire protection, hydrostatic testing water, water associated with demolition projects, etc.

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#### PART VI - BIOMONITORING - ACUTE CONCERNS

In accordance with PART I of this permit, the permittee shall initiate, within 30 days of the effective date of this permit, or continue the series of tests described below to evaluate wastewater toxicity of the discharge from Outfall 001.

#### TEST REQUIREMENTS

The permittee shall perform a 48-hour static non-renewal toxicity test with water flea (Ceriodaphnia dubia) and a 48-hour static non-renewal toxicity test with fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas). Tests shall be conducted on each of two grab samples taken over a 24-hour period approximately 12 hours apart (e.g. discrete sample #1 taken at 9:00 a.m., sample #2 taken at 9:00 p.m.). In addition to use of a control, effluent concentrations for the tests must include the permitted limit, (i.e., 100% effluent) and at least four additional effluent concentrations. For a permit limit of 100% effluent, test concentrations shall be 20%, 40%, 60%, 80% and 100%. If the permit limit is less than 100% effluent and greater than or equal to 75% effluent, the test concentrations shall include the permitted limit, two concentrations below the limit that are based on a 0.5 dilution factor, and two concentrations above the limit (to include 100% and mid-point between the permit limit and 100%). If the permit limit is less than 75% effluent, test concentrations shall include the permit limit concentration, two concentrations below the limit based on a 0.5 dilution factor, and two concentrations above the limit based on a 0.5 dilution factor if possible, otherwise to include 100% and mid-point between the permit limit and 100% . Selection of different effluent concentrations must be approved by the Division prior to testing. Testing of the effluent shall be initiated within 36 hours of each sample collection. Controls shall be conducted concurrently with effluent testing using synthetic water. The analysis will be deemed reasonable and good only if control survival is 90% or greater in test organisms held in synthetic water. Any test that does not meet the control acceptability criteria shall be repeated as soon as practicable within the monitoring period (i.e. monthly or quarterly). Noncompliance with the toxicity limit will be demonstrated if the  $LC_{50}$  is less than 100% effluent.

Tests shall be conducted on both species at the frequency specified in PART I of this permit.

If after at least six consecutive toxicity tests it can be determined that <a href="Ceriodaphnia dubia">Ceriodaphnia dubia</a> or the fathead minnow is more sensitive and all tests have <a href="passed">passed</a>, a request for testing with only the most sensitive species can be submitted to the Division. Upon approval, that most sensitive species may be considered as representative and all subsequent compliance tests can be conducted using only that species unless directed at any time by the Division to change or revert to both.

#### REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Results of all toxicity tests conducted with any species shall be reported according to the most recent format provided by the Division of Water. Notification of failed test shall be made to the Division's Water Quality Branch within five days of test completion. Test reports shall be submitted to the Division's Water Quality Branch within thirty (30) days of completion.

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#### ACUTE TOXICITY

If noncompliance with the toxicity limit occurs in an initial test, (i.e., the  $LC_{50}$  for either species in either grab sample is less than 100% effluent), the permittee must repeat the test using new grab samples collected approximately 12 hours apart. Sampling must be initiated within 10 days of completing the failed test. The second round of testing shall include both species unless approved for only the most sensitive species by the Division. Results of the second round of testing will be used to evaluate the persistence of the toxic event and the possible need for a Toxicity Reduction Evaluation (TRE).

If the second round of testing also demonstrates noncompliance with the toxicity limit, the permittee will be required to perform accelerated testing as specified in the following paragraphs.

Complete four additional rounds of testing to evaluate the frequency and degree of toxicity within 60 days of completing the second failed round of testing. Results of the initial and second rounds of testing specified above plus the four additional rounds of testing will be used in deciding if a TRE shall be required.

If results from any two of six rounds of testing show a significant noncompliance with the acute limit, (i.e.,  $\geq 1.2$  times the  $TU_a$ ), or results from any four of the six tests show acute toxicity (as defined in 1.A), a TRE will be required.

The permittee shall provide written notification to the Division of Water within five (5) days of completing the accelerated testing, stating that: (1) toxicity persisted and that a TRE will be initiated; or (2) that toxicity did not persist and normal testing will resume.

Should toxicity prove not to be persistent during the accelerated testing period, but reoccur within 12 months of the initial failure at a level  $\geq$  1.2 times the TU<sub>a</sub>, then a TRE shall be required.

# TOXICITY REDUCTION EVALUATION (TRE)

Having determined that a TRE is required, the permittee shall initiate and/or continue at least monthly testing with both species until such time as a specific TRE plan is approved by the Division. A TRE plan shall be developed by the permittee and submitted to the Division within thirty days of determining a TRE is required. The plan shall be developed in accordance with the most recent EPA and Division guidance. Questions regarding this process may be submitted to the Division's Water Quality Branch.

The TRE plan shall include Toxic Identification Evaluation (TIE) procedures, treatability studies, and evaluations of: chemical usage including changes in types, handling and suppliers; operational and process procedures; housekeeping and maintenance activities; and raw materials. The TRE plan will establish an implementation schedule to begin immediately upon approval by the Division, to have duration of at least six months, and not to exceed 24 months. The implementation schedule shall include quarterly progress reports being submitted to the Division's Water Quality Branch, due the last day of the month following each calendar quarter.

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#### TOXICITY REDUCTION EVALUATION (TRE)

Upon completion of the TRE, the permittee shall submit a final report detailing the findings of the TRE and actions taken or to be taken to prevent the reoccurrence of toxicity. This final report shall include: the toxicant(s), if any are identified; treatment options; operational changes; and the proposed resolutions including an implementation schedule not to exceed 180 days.

Should the permittee determine the toxicant(s) and/or a workable treatment prior to the planned conclusion of the TRE, the permittee will notify the Division's Water Quality Branch within five days of making that determination and take appropriate actions to implement the solution within 180 days of that notification.

# TEST METHODS

All test organisms, procedures, and quality assurance criteria used shall be in accordance with Methods for Measuring the Acute Toxicity of Effluents and Receiving Waters to Freshwater and Marine Organisms, EPA-821-R-02-012 (5<sup>th</sup> edition), the most recently published edition of this publication, or as approved in advance by the Division of Water.

Toxicity testing for compliance to KPDES discharge limits shall be performed by a laboratory approved by the Division of Water to conduct the required toxicity tests. Within each toxicity report to the Division, the permittee must demonstrate successful performance of reference toxicant testing by the laboratory that conducts their effluent toxicity tests. Within 30 days prior to initiating an effluent toxicity test, a reference toxicant test must be completed for the method used; alternatively, the reference toxicant test may be run concurrent with the effluent toxicity test. In addition, for each test method, at least 5 acceptable reference toxicant tests must be completed by the laboratory prior to performing the effluent toxicity test. A control chart including the most recent reference toxicant test endpoints for the effluent test method (minimum of 5, up to 20 if available) shall be part of the report.